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To whom it may concern:

The proposed DOJ/Microsoft Antitrust Settlement does little but further the Microsoft monopoly the lawsuit is intended on prosecuting. My initial reaction was that this was more of a public relations victory and marketing ploy by Microsoft than a serious attempt to address the wrongs this company has done. As a professional computer programmer, the proposed ruling deeply disturbs me. The class-action lawsuits were filed in behalf of the people, yet it seems like the people are getting little from this settlement. I employ that those considering this settlement sincerely look to other alternatives, particularly that solution proposed by open source company Red Hat Inc.

(http://www.redhat.com/about/presscenter/2001/press_usschools.html).

Let us not do further damage to the computer industry and to the consumers than has already been done due to the illegal practices of Microsoft.

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